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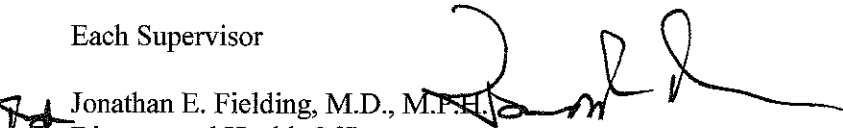
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FROM:  Jonathan E. Fielding, M.D., M.P.H.
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SUBJECT: **REFRIGERATED FOOD STORAGE TRAILERS**

This is the final report on the Department of Public Health's (DPH) efforts related to the refrigerated food storage trailers (RFSTs) motion offered by Supervisor Antonovich on October 6, 2009. This motion directed the Department to work with the California Retail Food Safety Coalition (CRFSC) to seek relief allowing the use of RFSTs on a temporary basis during the holidays when the need for additional food storage is highest.

On March 17, 2011, pursuant to our request, the CRFSC agreed with our concept of allowing temporary use of RFSTs, and drafted legislation to amend California Retail Food Code, Section 114047. The proposed amendment granted delegated authority to the local enforcement agency to approve temporary alternate food storage methods and locations. However, sponsorship of the proposed amendment was not successful and the amendment did not move forward. Despite the failed amendment, DPH will continue to allow the use of RFSTs during the holidays when the need for temporary additional food storage is highest.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please let me know.

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